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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

*In re* application of: )  
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Nigel P. TAYLOR *et al.* ) Group Art Unit: 1624  
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Serial No.: 09/913,539 ) Examiner: John M. Ford  
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Filed: December 7, 2001 )  
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For: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF )  
TERT-BUTYL (E)-(6-[2-[4(4-FLUORO- )  
PHENYL)-6-ISOPROPYL-2-[(METHYL- )  
(METHYLSULFONYL)AMINO]PYRIMIDIN- )  
5-YL]VINYL](4R,6S)-2,2-DIMETHYL[1,3]- )  
DIOXAN-4-YL) ACETATE )

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

February 10, 2003

Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 9, 2002, (Paper No. 11), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this response.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 4, 5 and 6 as follows:

4. (Amended) A process as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the reaction is carried out in a solvent selected from tetrahydrofuran, dimethoxyethane and toluene, and mixtures thereof.

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